

GERMANY TO ISSUE NEW TERMS —BAITING PETROGRAD

Christiania, April 17.—Germany is shortly to issue to neutrals a statement of terms on which she considers peace negotiable, according to reports from sources identified with German official's plans. Is not believed there will be many concessions from unofficial outlines of Germany's demands at time of Von Bethmann-Hollweg's peace tender last December.

Scandinavia is center of Germany's peace efforts aimed at Russia. That Teutonic officials are bending every effort to realization of their hope of separate peace with the new provisional government at Petrograd is apparent.

American diplomats formally advised that German government is behind pseudo-Socialist movement for peace.

Von Bernstorff, prime apostle of peace propaganda work, has been selected as German ambassador to Sweden, purely in line with this Russian effort. Meanwhile German propagandists of lesser caliber spread reports of Germany's desire for peace, carefully avoiding, however, any statement of terms.

PACKERS IN OFFER TO GOV'T

Food experts today refused to give any opinion of the offer made by the packers to allow the gov't to control their business and regulate maximum and minimum prices of meat during the war. The offer was made to sec'y of agriculture by the Chicago packers. The conference was arranged by Julius Rosenwald. The packers who accompanied Rosenwald were J. Ogden Armour, Louis F. Swift, Edward A. Cudahy, Thos. E. Wilson and Edw. Morris.

Their offer was to turn over their plants for gov't requirements during the war. They also endorsed Houston's plan to give the nat'l council of defense the power to regulate

meat prices and agreed to abide by whatever the council might do. They also agreed to the plan for federal licensing of food control agencies. This would give the gov't a chance to regulate the middlemen.

U. S. NOT YET DECIDED WHAT ITS BIT WILL BE

Washington, April 17.—America's part in "big push" hurling German troops back from their long-established lines in France, keeping Teutonic commerce off the seas and arraying republics of world against the kaiser will be under discussion here within 24 hours.

Food and fighting forces are yet to be really mobilized, but all efforts are being directed toward single goal.

Arrival of British and French war commissions here expected today or tomorrow. Senate expected to pass quickly war bond bill, making available gigantic loan to allies, as well as providing for America's finances.

High commissions of England and France will be housed in two mansions in select part of Washington. Placing them in private houses was due to desire to shield both from curious and from possible cranks.

In congress sentiment on test votes in house military committee shows majority favoring stronger provision for volunteering than administration bill already provides. Opposition to selective draft idea, however, will be overcome, according to confident predictions of close congress observers.

TWO MORE BREAK WITH US?

Zurich, April 17.—Report received here today declared that Turkey and Bulgaria have formally broken off relations with the United States.

FEWER SLACKERS.

Applications for wedding licenses fell to a normal number yesterday. The rush is gone for good, county officials declare.